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Statement of Purpose: The following plan outlines what EPA Region 2 DECA will perform over the course of the fiscal year 2014. The activities and milestones are based on commitments made under regional and national plans and strategies, including: Region 2 Action Plan, Regional Climate Change Action Plan, Regional Environmental Justice Action Plan, National Enforcement Initiatives, National Program Managers Guidance, etc. Also included in the plan are ongoing practices of the Division undertakes that fall into the categories of: leading change, building coalitions, EEO, etc.

RA Priorities

PCBs in Schools

Continue to oversee our CA/FO with NYC regarding PCBS in schools, and will continue to be a national leader regarding this topic. Track progress of schools in removing PCB lighting systems. Continue to provide assistance to OCSPP workgroup developing new PCB regulations.

PTSB

Goals 3, 4

Y

Y

Recycling

DECA, ORC and CEPD will continue efforts to enforce against non-compliant landfills and will incorporate recycling and composting in our settlements, whenever possible.

RCB

N

Y

CSOs/Green Infrastructure

Conduct combined sewer system inspections at the following municipalities, with contractor assistance: Joint Meeting of Essex and Union, Elizabeth

WCB

Y

Y

Take enforcement actions where necessary for the following combined sewer systems that were inspected: Joint Meeting of Essex and Union, Elizabeth, North Bergen

WCB

Y

Y

Continue to make significant progress on the SSO consent decree for NYC and the CSO consent decree for PVSC

WCB

Y

Y

Continue to follow-up on AOs issued to municipalities in past FYs

WCB

Y

Y

Track CDs with Oswego, Jersey City MUA and Perth Amboy

WCB

Y

Y

Incorporate GI where possible in our enforcement actions

WCB

Y

Y

Café Martin Peña

DECA will continue to provide technical support and be actively involved in the settlement and conclusion of the DNER and San Juan judicial cases. Also, DECA has assisted in the PR Dept. of Transportation and Public Works judicial cases.

WCB

Ongoing

Y

Y

Trash-Free Waters

[WCB-any action items?]

WCB

NATIONAL ENFORCEMENT INITIATIVES

CAFOs

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Complete CAFO inspections in the Chesapeake Bay watershed (in Region 2) and issue follow-up enforcement actions as appropriate.	WCB	Goals 2, 5	N	Y	
Complete 8 CAFO inspections (PBS-CAFO 02)	WCB	Goals 2, 5	Y	Y	
Complete 8 CAFO addressing actions (PBS-CAFO 07)	WCB	Goals 2, 5	N	Y	
Submit 1 progress report ant the end of the FY (PBS-CAFO 08)	WCB	Goals 2, 5	N	N	
SSOs					
4 referrals and/or addressing actions for SSS with treatment capacity ≥ 10 MGD (PBS-MI06)	WCB	Goals 2, 5	Y	Y	
CSOs					
Complete 3 civil judicial referrals and /or addressing actions for CSS communities serving populations $\geq 50,000$ (PBS-MI07)	WCB	Goals 2, 5	N	Y	
Air Toxics					
Complete 12 compliance evaluations at facilities in the regionally selected universes within the initiative focus areas. (PBS-ATX03)	ACB	Goals 1, 5	Y	Y	
Complete 7 addressing actions at regionally selected facilities within the initiative focus areas. (PBS-ATX04)	ACB	Goals 1, 5	Y	Y	
NSR					
We have completed work in this sector	ACB	Goals 1, 5	N	N	
Energy Extraction					
ACS commitment is "0" for PBS-EE01 in FY 15	CAPSB /ACB	Goal 2, 5	N	N	
4 gas extraction and production sites (wells, compressor stations, gas plants) and associated disposal sites (e.g., injection wells, land CAPSB application, etc.) "addressed" by enforcement or other regional actions where region has ensured compliance. (PBS-EE 03)	CAPSB /ACB	Goal 2, 5	N	N	
Making a Difference in Communities					
All Branches					
Perform targeted inspections in Camden, Newark, and Newburgh. Keep track of progress on the Share Point site	All		Y	Y	
ACB					
Implement the Area Source Boiler MACT Enforcement Strategy in Camden and Newark. Utilize the Skills Market Place.	ACB		Y	Y	
WCB					
Newark:					

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Track existing CSO Order with the City of Newark and assure compliance Work with DOJ to successfully resolve PVSC case which will reduce CSO discharges to Newark Track existing SDWA Order with the Newark Water Department and assure compliance Provide support to the State concerning the requirements of the SDWA regarding Newark's un-covered finished drinking water reservoir Work with the Newark School District to get the current picture of their lead in schools drinking water program to assure that guidance is still being followed Perform an MS4 audit and stormwater Multi-Sector General Permit inspections in Newark 					
Camden: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Track existing CSO Order with the Camden County Municipal Utilities Authority to assure compliance Track the Administrative Compliance Order for the City of Camden Municipal Separate Storm Sewer System (MS4) Work with the Camden School District to get the current picture of their lead in schools drinking water program to assure that guidance is still being followed Complete a PWS drinking water sanitary survey Perform stormwater Multi-Sector General Permit inspections 					
Newburgh: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up on 3Ts effort Follow-up (issue Administrative Order) on recent pre-treatment audit Perform a PWS sanitary survey (we will request NEIC assistance to complete this) Perform MS4 audit, SSO/CSO inspections and stormwater Multi-Sector General Permit inspections in Newburgh 					
PTSD					

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Newark, Newburgh, Camden: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with OEI to create TRI snapshots for these communities Provide outreach regarding bed bugs, pesticides, and lead-based paint Hazards Camden and Newark: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Will work with the school district to incorporate Integrated Pest Management (IPM) activities in their schools 					
CAPSB					
Newark and Camden: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct inspections/perform follow-up inspections in flood-prone Areas All Communities: additional EJ activities					
DECA ITEMS IN REGIONAL EJ ACTION PLAN					
Oversee implementation of the Regional EJ Action Plan (see separate document)	CAPSB		N	N	
Promote environmental SEPs to benefit EJ communities	All/CA PSB				
Use targeted geographic monitoring to improve farmworker protection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to implement Geographic Monitoring for Compliance Monitoring Sweeps Initiative in its Worker Protection Program. Sweep farms with migrant workers in order to determine compliance with worker protection standards under FIFRA. Focus on advancing EJ in the farming sector. 	PTSB				
Use Geographic Focus to Improve Compliance and Resilience in Flood Prone Industrial Waterfronts Implement the Compliance Assistance Geographic Initiative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Inspect regulated facilities in flood prone areas that store hazardous waste, chemicals, and oil in order to ensure compliance with applicable law. Promote climate change resilient practices by distributing materials containing environmental assistance resources for regulated facilities in flood prone areas, including services that perform inspections as well as information about meetings and outreach events EPA may hold in partnership with other technical assistance providers. 	CAPSB				

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use mapping applications with new climate data projections in order to identify regulated facilities in flood prone areas in EJ area (TBD). 					
<p>Ensure NYC Schools Replace Lighting Systems in Compliance with Settlement</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to monitor lighting replacements at NYC public schools to ensure compliance with court deadline. Ensure NYC complies with agreement to replace all lighting with PCB ballasts by December 2016. Ensure replacement program includes energy efficiency measures such as T-12 light fixtures and high intensity discharge lamps in appropriate areas. Eliminate all remote PCB cabinets in schools. Ensure compliance with the deadline through follow-ups with the City, City Council, NYC Department of Education and the School Construction Authority. Oversee inspections of air monitoring activities and select lighting replacements to ensure that agreed upon procedures are followed. 	PTSB				
<p>Increase Outreach to Promote Replacement of PCB-Containing Lighting in HUD Facilities</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expand PCB outreach on benefits of lighting replacements to large housing agencies in R2 receiving HUD funds. Identify large housing authorities with multifamily dwellings that were constructed prior to 1978 and assist housing managers to understand the environmental impacts of PCB lighting and the benefits of lighting upgrades. Offer assistance to housing managers to identify and inventory any existing PCB ballasts, evaluate their condition, and expeditiously replace them. Ensure light replacements, as necessary, comply with relevant regulation. 	PTSB				
<p>Use EJSCREEN and the enhanced screening protocol to identify EPA Civil Enforcement Cases with EJ concerns.</p>	CAPSB				

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Promote EJ and Sustainable Development for Sandy Recovery in Long Island Communities (CASD and DECA co-leads)	CAPSB				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work very closely with FEMA and other federal agencies attached to the Sandy Recovery Office, formerly the FEMA Disaster Response Joint Field Office, to support localities' recovery efforts. Align the federal, state and local government entities in the practice of community engagement needs after disasters, our policies for addressing the needs of vulnerable communities, the tools needed to identify and address the needs of EJ communities. Advocate with HQ for sharing EPA tools for identifying and helping to address EJ concerns at the community level Advocate with HQ and other federal agencies to secure resources for ensuring federal recovery workers have the appropriate skills (i.e., scenario planning, Health Impact Assessment) to identify and address community concerns with respect to rebuilding efforts Coordinate training of federal recovery workers on the range of tools available for ensuring meaning community engagement and addressing EJ concerns 					
Build Regional Capacity to Incorporate Health Consideration into Decision Making Through Health Impact Assessment	CAPSB				
- Commit an EJ staff member to apply for the R2P2 fellowship with the following goals: * Become trained, with ORD mentor, in the Health Impact Assessment (HIA) methodology. * In support of priorities stated by the DRA and the RA, provide technical assistance to programs and organizations within Region 2 wanting to use the methodology. * R2P2 fellowship goal: assist ORD in identifying tools, especially those with Citizen Science components, that would be useful in facilitating the monitoring and evaluation parts of the HIA ORD has committed to performing in support of Long Island's recovery.					
Develop a Toolkit in Support of Citizen Science Environmental Monitoring Efforts	CAPSB				
Citizen Science Research:					

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Working with DESA and ORD to develop a Citizen Science toolbox that would support community environmental monitoring efforts. Community partner: the Ironbound Community Corporation (ICC) Funding: RARE and RESES (FY14) Project goals Develop the infrastructure needed for Region 2 to offer an equipment loan program Framework for distributing and recollecting equipment to be loaned to community organizations, Study documentation including data management and quality assurance, Template for data reporting and knowledge sharing, and risk community assessment and Communication tools to be used in educational campaigns that would incorporate the data. Support both the ICC's data needs with respect their public education campaigns around air quality in the Ironbound neighborhood of Newark, NJ and EPA's need to validate Developing tools the community can use to manage and analyze data by applying for additional RARE (FY15) funding to support development of more advanced data analysis and sharing tools. 					
<p>Align Federal EJ Policy</p> <p>Ensure EPA's EJ policies are promoting among federal agencies operating in Region 2:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate in conferences, interagency meetings, taskforces and workgroups with a variety of groups which serve to represent environmental justice interests or concerns, or are impacted by proposed environmental justice activities. Provide support to other regional specialists in developing agenda items, presentations and related conference materials, including graphs and charts, or pamphlets that include and/or reference environmental justice. Provide support to the Regional Environmental Justice Coordinator in establishing various office procedures, practices or mechanisms necessary to maintain effective relationships with leaders and representatives of disadvantaged and tribal communities, and to develop mechanisms to make environmental information available. Convene a Region 2 IWG 	CAPSB				

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Represent EPA in the Department of Health and Human Services' Region II Office of the Assistant Secretary of Health in the Office of the Regional Health Administrator's (OASH) Regional Prevention Collaborative, a body of 23 federal agencies convened under the National Prevention Council's directive to promote health and redirect the nation's health focus from disease treatment to prevention. Collaborate with the OASH to lead the Collaborative's EJ initiative, the Healthy and Safe Housing Initiative, and convening a regional EJ interagency work group. Develop and coordinate the EJ initiative, which will include with a "pilot" collaborative effort to address major concerns in a chosen EJ community; we have nominated lead poisoning prevention in Newburgh as a starting point. Identify opportunities and new locations for federal collaboration as part of the work of the regional interagency workgroup. Coordinate the Regional IWG to organize and provide a space for discussions aimed at aligning our EJ policies, develop a common EJ language and communications, and sharing tools. 					
Promote and Support Use of EJSCREEN Across Regional Programs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Conduct trainings to prepare R2 staff to use EJSCREEN in their everyday business Provide ongoing technical and policy guidance support for R2 staff Act as liaison to HQ to keep up-to-date with national policy Provide technical and policy support as appropriate Act as liaison to HQ for external requests 	CAPSB				
Coordinate Regional EJ Focus on Priority Areas: Coordinate regional EJ focus on Vieques, PR Caño Martín Peña, PR; Newburgh, NJ, Camden, NJ, and Newark, NJ	CAPSB				
ADDITIONAL DIVISION PRIORITY AREAS					
Working with NYSDEC, continue compliance monitoring and enforcement efforts at the Tonawanda Coke facility.	All/ CAPSB	Goals 1, 3, 5	N	N	
Continue compliance monitoring and enforcement efforts at Battery Recycling in PR.	RCB/ ACB	Goals 3, 5	N	N	
Ironbound Initiative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Issue NOV's to each terminal and an MOU to the Port Authority 	ACB	Goals 3, 5	N	N	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up on implementation of the NOV's and MOU 					
PR Landfill Initiative: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow up on AOs issued in FY 14 Inspect the Arroyo Landfill Begin developing Orders for: Culebra, Cayey, Isabela, and Arroyo Follow-up on GCCS inspections performed at Fajardo, San Juan and Ponce landfills 	RCB/ACB		N	N	
Illegal Pesticides: Continue efforts regarding Illegal pesticides, including inspections and outreach and initiate enforcement actions, as appropriate.	PTSB	Goals 4, 5	N	N	
Continue implementing national Federal Facility compliance initiatives, as identified by FFEO. In particular, performing 10 inspections as part of these national initiatives.	CAPSB	Goals 4, 5	N	N	
Continue to integrate next generation compliance principles into the regional enforcement program	CAPSB/ALL				
Additional RRP Action Items: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Follow-up on RRP rule tips & complaints with an appropriate enforcement response. Expand outreach efforts to property managers, contractors, and homeowners to increase awareness and understanding of the LBP regulations. Conduct 100 LBP inspections in FY 15 and initiate enforcement actions, as appropriate. Continue to directly implement the LBP program by contributing to the National total of cumulative number of certified RRP firms Work with DOJ to reach settlements with SYG and Accolade 	PTSB	Goals 4, 5	N	Y	
Lead in Drinking Water: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work with at least one school district to conduct sampling of drinking water for lead. Work with schools (and state/local counterparts) to address lead in drinking water. Work with Head Starts in the Region to implement the lead in schools drinking water program. 	WCB		N	N	
OCSPP NPM Requirements—Special Projects					
Worker Protection Standard (WPS): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> PTSB will be accompanying NJDEP on WPS inspections during the summer of 2015 as a follow-up to the inspections that were conducted in 2014. 	PTSB	Goals 4, 5	N	N	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Outreach will be provided to stakeholders when the WPS Rule is promulgated in the spring of 2015. This will include meetings when travel funding allows. 					
Ag Spray Drift NPM Regional Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Region 2, with the help of the SLAs, will follow-up on the agricultural spray drift incident data that was received for 2011-2013 to form an incident baseline. More detailed information is needed to determine an accurate baseline. With the information received from our past grantee, Cornell University, we will follow-up on other organizations that are helping to fund the purchase of more efficient spray equipment. 	PTSB	Goals 4, 5	N	N	
SIPM (School Integrated Pest Management) Commitments: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Work closely with six school districts (4 in NJ, and 2 in NY) to distribute SIPM outreach materials, assess current pest control practices, and assess status of IPM implementation. Deliver school IPM and bed bugs in schools outreach, upon request. Send emails to all schools in our Region promoting IPM; distribute SIPM materials and any other information they may request (such as webinars offered from the SIPM Center of Expertise). Update/maintain the SIPM email list for all school superintendents in our Region. Serve in Northeast SIPM Working Group. 	PTSB	Goals 4, 5	N	Y	
Bed Bug Outreach NPM Regional Project: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Focus on the Camden, NJ, Newark, NJ, and Newburgh, NY. BB Work with community leaders and community centers to find audience. Conduct BB outreach through distribution of already existing BB materials and presentations upon request. Increase public knowledge of bed bug identification, biology, and prevention of bed bugs, and specific actions to be considered if bed bugs are found. 	PTSB		N	N	
EPA Plan for the Federal Certification of Applicators of Restricted Use Pesticides within Indian Country: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Continue to reach out to the regulated community to find potential pesticides applicators applying RUPs in Indian Country 	PTSB		N	N	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Process the Federal applicators through a regional database and send Federal certificates/license to applicators who meet the criteria (allowing them to apply RUPs within Indian Country). 					
FIFRA Import Activities: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> FIFRA Import Pilot: Implement 10 NOAs using the CBP ACE system. Participate in training sessions provided by various partners involved in implementing the electronic NOA project. FIFRA Imports Rulemaking Revisions: Provide comments on the Final Agency Review (FAR) package for the Tier 3 action- EPA's Regulatory Referral to CBP on FIFRA Pesticide Import Revisions NPRM (SAN 5305) and on other rulemaking activities which are intended to integrate EPA and CBP pesticide import procedures. Participate in HQ conference calls regarding the rulemaking process. FIFRA Import National Operation: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review 3 NOAs and supplemental documentation provided by the importer of record or broker and screen for potential discrepancies Obtain a copy of all currently valid product labels as accepted by EPA from the Pesticide Product Labeling System (PPLS), and, if necessary, the CSF from the Product Managers in OPP or from the Pesticide Registration Information System (PRISM). Perform 3 inspections at the designated port of entry or the consignee's facility, as appropriate Where potential discrepancies are noted, follow-up Producer Establishment Inspections (PEIs) may be conducted to further investigate the extent of potential noncompliance. 	PTSB		N	N	
Pollinator Protection: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Participate on conference calls with OPP and the SLAs/Tribes to discuss State/Tribal Pollinator Protection plans. SFIREG has created a draft plan Discuss with our SLAs their intent for Pollinator Protection 	PTSB		N	N	
CORE PROGRAM					

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DECA will meet annual commitment system commitments and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) for OECA, OCSPP, OW and OSWER.	FO	Goal 5	N	Y	
In FY 15, DECA will continue to promote the use of SEPs to achieve environmental results.	CAPSB /All	Goal 5	N	Y	
In FY 15, DECA will continue to focus on obtaining environmental benefits in enforcement cases and actions and will implement the new national guidance for calculating and reporting environmental results.	CAPSB /All	Goal 5	N	Y	
State Review Framework – Complete Round 3 Review of PR	CAPSB	Goal 5	Y	Y	
State Review Framework – Track Follow-up Actions from Round Review of VI	CAPSB /WCB/ RCB	Goal 5	Y	Y	
Regional Climate Change Action Plan					
Support the implementation of the Region 2 Climate Change Action Plan for Reduction of Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Emissions and the Region 2 Climate Change Adaptation With respect to the specific action items that DECA offices have or share the lead on under the Climate Change Action mitigation and adaptation ensure that those action items are carried out.	CAPSB	Goal 1	N	Y	
Cooperate with requests from OECA or OAR to assist in identifying facilities that may not have met their obligations under EPA's GHG Reporting Rule and to reach out to such facilities.	ACB	Goal 1	N	N	
Take appropriate enforcement actions under the Clean Air Act to enforce the GHG Reporting Rule and the GHG permitting requirements.	ACB	Goal 1	N	N	
Continue to conduct enforcement actions which bring about the correction of noncompliance with landfill gas collection and control (GCCS) requirements. In addition, as appropriate, where a GCCS is not required under the landfill regulations, seek the owner or operator's agreement to install and operate an alternative landfill gas system to provide for significant reductions in landfill gas emissions. Further, in connection with the resolution of such enforcement actions, promote the use of the captured methane gas for energy production where appropriate, and/or, where appropriate, the use of the landfill property for solar energy production.	RCB/A CB	Goal 1	N	N	

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In Clean Water Act and Safe Drinking Water Act enforcement cases seeking the construction or modification of infrastructure, require that green infrastructure be used wherever appropriate.	WCB	Goal 1	N	N	
Take actions consistent with the Region 2 Natural Shale Gas Strategic Plan to minimize methane emissions from shale gas activities in New York State. Actions will include inspections and other information-gathering techniques, internal training, enforcement actions, promotion of SEPs, and compliance assistance, as appropriate.	CAPSB	Goal 1	N	N	
Wherever allowed by the SEP Policy, promote SEPs that will have the effect of reducing GHG emissions or enable communities and/or facilities to better adapt to the changing climate. In addition, update the Region 2 SEP database with potential climate change SEPs.	CAPSB /All	Goal 1	N	N	
Inspect facilities in flood prone areas that are regulated under our Federal hazardous waste, oil storage, storm water, and emergency planning requirements to reduce the environmental impact of such facilities during extreme storm events. Distribute "flood resources" CD-ROM during such inspections.	CAPSB	Goal 1	N	N	
Focus enforcement resources on emitters of tropospheric ozone precursors, volatile organic compounds (VOCs) and NOx, to reduce the impacts on air quality associated with projected temperature rise due to climate change.	ACB	Goal 1	N	N	

MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

Participate in National Workgroups: Personally participate in Air Toxics national Strategic Implementation Teams charged with developing strategies for the national enforcement initiatives. Participate on OCSPP's TRI Steering Committee, Next Generation Enforcement workgroups, and EPA's National Awards Board in FY 15.	FO	Goal 2	N	Y	
Grants Management - Continuous and Ongoing: Working with the Division's managers, ensure that the Division manages its grants workload with timely submittals of interim and final technical completions assisting in the Region meeting the 90% closeout standard for assistance agreements expired in FY 11 by 9/30/15.	CAPSB	Goal 2	N	Y	
Conduct divisional staff meetings to communicate with staff about organizational goals and objectives, such as ECAD.	FO/CA PSB	Goal 2	N	Y	
Continue providing assistance to states' efforts to implement NetDMR and NPDES e-reporting	CAPSB				

EOY PERFORMANCE STANDARDS ITEMS

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Leading Change (Activities that promote change regionally and/or nationally)	ALL		N	Y	
Building Coalitions (Activities that foster relationships amongst EPA employees and/or the public)	ALL		N	Y	
Business Acumen (Assesses, analyzes, acquires, and administers human, financial, material, and information resources in a manner that instills public trust and accomplishes the organization's mission. Uses technology to enhance processes and decision making. Executes the operating budget; prepares budget requests with justifications; and manages resources.)	ALL		N	Y	
E-Government Examples include net DMR, involvement in the lead microsite, videoconferencing, blogging.	ALL		N	Y	
Leading People/Human Capital Examples include: inter and intra-branch transfers, staff training opportunities.	ALL		N	Y	
Employee Development/Retention and Quality of Work Life Examples include: national honor award recipients, participation in the Leadership Development Program, rotational opportunities (i.e. ROAD), regional training opportunities, teleworking, reasonable accommodations, Fed Kids.	ALL		N	Y	
Equal Employment Opportunities Examples from include: response to labor relations issues, promotion of minorities.	ALL		N	Y	
Data Quality Examples from include: peer review process, review of DMR violations.	ALL		N	Y	
Workshares Examples include: NPDES workplans, backup of PR and VI enforcement programs, implementing NetDMR in PR, NY and VI.	ALL		N	Y	